

Amendment No. 2 to HB0142

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 751

House Bill No. 142*

by deleting 71-5-1201(a) in Section 4 and substituting:

(a)

(1) There is created a families first community advisory board to:

(A) Approve the department's retention of a research partner or partners to assist in the research and evaluation of the Tennessee opportunity pilot program created by this part;

(B) Review and approve the selection of the Tennessee opportunity pilot program recipients of planning grants and implementation grants;

(C) Submit a final report to the general assembly no later than December 31, 2025. The final report must be approved by a majority vote of the advisory board's total membership and must include, at a minimum:

(i) Findings from the Tennessee opportunity pilots and the services provided through each pilot;

(ii) Recommendations for future TANF program spending in this state; and

(iii) Suggested legislation to support the recommendations described in subdivision (a)(1)(C)(ii);

(D) Provide input regarding the effectiveness of existing families first and two-generation program policies and grant programs; and

(E) Make recommendations regarding the development of new or revised policies to enhance the families first and two-generation programs.

(2) An advisory board member appointed in accordance with subdivision (b)(6) or (b)(7) shall not vote on matters regarding the review and approval of Tennessee opportunity pilot program recipients of planning grants and implementation grants under subdivision (a)(1)(B), or any other matter involving the review and approval of recipients of monetary awards or grants.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting 71-5-1203(f) in Section 4 and substituting:

(f) In the event the federal government deems planning grants to be administrative costs, the department must utilize its remaining fiscal capacity for administrative costs to provide the grants. The remainder of funds dedicated for planning grants must be reallocated across the six (6) pilot program grantees with approval of the advisory board.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting subsection (e) of § 71-5-1201 in the amendatory language of Section 4 and substituting:

(e) The speaker of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives shall strive to ensure that members appointed to the families first community advisory board reflect the racial, sex, geographic, urban, rural, and economic diversity of the state.